Minutes of Meeting Health Services Council Project Review Committee-II

DATE: 4 June 2009 TIME: 2:30 PM

LOCATION: Conference Room 401

Department of Health

ATTENDANCE:

| Name | Present | Absent | Excused |
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| Committee-II | | | |
| Victoria Almeida, Esq. (Vice Chair) | X | | |
| Raymond C. Coia, Esq. | X | | |
| Joseph L. Dowling, MD | X | | |
| Gary J. Gaube | | | X |
| Maria R. Gil | | X | |
| Sen. Catherine E. Graziano, RN, PhD | X | | |
| Robert Hamel, RN | | | X |
| Denise Panichas | | | X |
| Robert Quigley, DC (Chairman) | X | | |
| Reverend David Shire (Secretary) | | | X |

Staff: Valentina Adamova, MBA, Michael K. Dexter, MPA, Joseph G. Miller, Esq.

Public: (Attached)

1. <u>Call to Order, Approval of Minutes, Conflict of Interest Forms and Extension for the Minutes Availability</u>

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 PM. The Chair noted that conflict of interest forms are available to any member who may have a conflict. Minutes of Project Review Committee-II meeting of 5 February 2009, 12 February 2009, 19 February 2009, 12 March 2009 and 19 March 2009 were adopted as submitted. A motion was made, seconded and passed by a vote of five in favor and none opposed (5-0) that the availability of minutes for this meeting be extended beyond the time frame as provided for under the Open Meetings Act. Those members voting in favor were: Almeida, Coia, Dowling, Graziano, Quigley.

2. General Order of Business

The first item on the agenda was the application of **Planned Parenthood of Southern New England, Inc.** for change in effective control of Planned Parenthood of Rhode Island, a freestanding ambulatory surgery center located at 111 Point Street in Providence.

The applicant reviewed the proposal. Staff noted that as a condition of approval the applicant needs to obtain approval from the Office of the Attorney General prior to transfer of the licensure. Staff noted that the comment period on this application has expired. Sen. Graziano requested that the applicant describe in writing its collection practices.

A motion was made by Mr. Coia, seconded by Dr. Dowling and passed by a vote of three in favor, none opposed and two abstentions (3-0-2) to recommend that the application be approved subject to the conditions of approval. Those members voting in favor included: Coia, Dowling, Quigley. Those members abstaining were: Almeida, Graziano.

The next item on the agenda was the application of **All About Home Care**, **LLC** for initial licensure as a Home Nursing Care Provider Agency at 438 East Main Road in Middletown.

The applicant reviewed responses to follow up questions.

A motion was made by Ms. Almeida, seconded by Sen. Graziano and passed by a vote of five in favor and none opposed (5-0) to recommend that the application be approved subject to conditions of approval. Those members voting in favor included: Almeida, Coia, Dowling, Graziano, Quigley.

The next item on the agenda was the application of **Hope Healthcare**, **Inc. d/b/a BrightStar Healthcare** for initial licensure as a Home Nursing Care Provider Agency at 225 Newman Avenue in Rumford

Ms. Gard discussed the proposal and her experience. The Chair noted the requirement of national background checks. Sen. Graziano requested that the applicant provide curriculum for training, and evaluation of staff. The Chair also requested plan for supervision and noted the accreditation requirement. The applicant agreed to the requirements and to provide the requested information.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Valentina D. Adamova, MBA Health Economics Specialist